

**THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS**

Before Commissioners: Pat Apple, Chairman  
Shari Feist Albrecht  
Jay Scott Emler

In the Matter of the Application of Weinkauff	)	Docket No. 17-CONS-3693-CEXC
Petroleum, Inc. for an exception to the 10-year	)	
time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for its	)	CONSERVATION DIVISION
Rexroad #1 well located in the SE/4 of Section 34,	)	
Township 33 South, Range 29 West, Meade	)	License No.: 30902
County, Kansas.	)	
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**ORDER DESIGNATING PREHEARING OFFICER  
AND SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

This matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission). Having examined its files and records, and being fully advised in the premises, the Commission finds and concludes as follows:

1. On June 23, 2017, Weinkauff Petroleum, Inc. (Applicant) filed an application pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-111, seeking an exception to the 10-year limitation on temporary abandonment.<sup>1</sup> Applicant requests the Commission grant an exception to the 10-year limitation to allow the subject well to remain eligible for temporary abandonment status for three years following the expiration of the 10-year limitation.

2. On October 2, 2017, Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed a Motion for the Designation of a Prehearing Officer and the Scheduling of a Prehearing Conference stating that Staff contests the facts in the Application.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Application at 3 (Jun. 23, 2017).

<sup>2</sup> Motion for the Designation of a Prehearing Officer and the Scheduling of a Prehearing Conference at 1-2 (Oct. 2, 2017).

3. The Commission finds that a Prehearing Officer should be designated in this proceeding to address matters pursuant to K.S.A. 77-516-517.<sup>3</sup> The Commission also finds that a prehearing conference should be scheduled in this matter.

**THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:**

A. The Prehearing Officer in this proceeding shall be Dustin L. Kirk, Deputy General Counsel, Kansas Corporation Commission, 1500 S.W. Arrowhead Road, Topeka, Kansas 66604, telephone number 785-271-3198, email address [d.kirk@kcc.ks.gov](mailto:d.kirk@kcc.ks.gov).

B. A Prehearing Conference shall be held on **Tuesday, November 7, 2017 at 11:00 a.m.** by telephone. The conference call information is: telephone number: (866) 620-7326, Conference Code PIN #7632914771.

C. At the Prehearing Conference, parties shall be prepared to discuss deadlines for filing testimony and briefs, discovery procedures, and scheduling of a hearing with the Commission.

D. At the Prehearing Conference, without further notice, this proceeding may be converted into a conference hearing or a summary proceeding for disposition of this matter as provided by the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act (KAPA), K.S.A. 77-501 *et seq.* Any party that fails to attend or participate in the Prehearing Conference, hearing, or other stage of this proceeding may be held in default pursuant to KAPA.

E. A corporation shall appear before the Commission by a Kansas licensed attorney.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>3</sup> See K.S.A. 77-551(c).

<sup>4</sup> K.S.A. 77-515(c); K.A.R. 82-1-228(d)(2).

**BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Apple, Chairman; Albrecht, Commissioner; Emler, Commissioner

Dated: OCT 12 2017

  
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Lynn M. Retz  
Secretary to the Commission

Mailed Date: October 12, 2017  
DLK/sc

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on October 12, 2017, I caused a complete and accurate copy of this Order to be served via United States mail, with the postage prepaid and properly addressed to the following:

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KCC Central Office

Dustin Kirk, Deputy General Counsel  
KCC Topeka Office

/s/ Cynthia K. Maine  
Cynthia K. Maine  
Administrative Assistant  
Kansas Corporation Commission